

As a licensed Amateur radio operator, I do not support this petition, because it does not remove the Morse Code requirement for Amateur radio operators.

I consider Morse Code an operating mode, and we do not test for any other mode. So I see no reason to retain the Morse Code test requirement for Amateur radio operators.

When I was in collage studying computer science, I was not required to know how to program using punch cards. We did learn about punch cards, and I valued that. I would have had no interest in computer science if they were testing punch card operations.

We need more operators. When kids have a choice between using the Internet or being required to learn Morse code to use a radio, the choice is easy for them. Many excellent operators are being turned away because of the Morse Code requirement.

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